DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 23, 2020.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are requested regarding: whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques and other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Forest Service

TITLE: Federal Excess Personal and Firefighter Property Program Administration

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0596-0223

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) and Firefighter

Property (FFP) programs provide state (including US territories) forestry agencies the

opportunity to obtain excess Department of Defense and other Federal agencies equipment and

supplies to be used in firefighting and emergency services. The authority to provide excess

supplies to state agencies comes from Federal Property and Administration Services Act of 1949,

as amended, 40 U.S.C., Sec 202. Authority to loan excess supplies comes from 10 U.S.C.,

Subtitle A, Part IV, Chapter 153, 2576b grants the authority for the FFP.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: The Forest Service (FS) "Federal Excess Property

Management Information System (FEPMIS) database allows the FS to collect FEPP and FFP

information used to manage property inventory electronically. Access to the database is limited

to those state employees with access authorized by FS Management Officers working in the fire

and Aviation staff. Each state designates an Accountable Officer who is responsible for the

integrity of the program within their respective state and completing the necessary

documentation for each program in which the state participates. For this reason FEPP and FFP

collects the state forestry agency contact information and the information of the Accountable

Officer. Cooperative Agreement forms FS-3100-10 and/or FS-3100-11 are used to collect the

required information from the participating state agency that outlines the requirements and rules

for the cooperation. Participating state agencies must submit separate agreements if they desire

to participate in both programs.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State and local government

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 76

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annual

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